Child Care Referral Services and Financial Assistance Stakeholder Group Meeting November 10, 2010

Goals

Finalize modernization statements: impacts of implementing modernization of eligibility for CC Financial Assistance in the DCF system on families and CC providers; and recommendations to the legislature on supports necessary to preserve full access to high quality child development services for Vermont families, especially those experiencing adversity or barriers.

Finalize CCR&R statements: recommendations related to centralizing childcare referral services as a statewide call and internet information system; and possible models or key elements for a centralized referral system to address shared stakeholder goals

Agenda

1:00 Agenda Review

1:15 Modernization – Recap and Review of Emerging Product

Question to consider: Does the emerging product accurately reflect the concerns and suggestions raised by the stakeholder group related to modernization?

- Outline of transition plan
- Actions: parent survey, provider group, and community assistor group
- Review emerging product especially summary of key concerns about transition
- Review VACCRA proposal

2:00 Childcare Referral Services

Question to consider: What are the possible models or key elements for a centralized referral system that meet our shared goals?

- Review emerging agreements reminder re: shared goals
- Share preliminary results of parent survey

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- Share research regarding differing models of child care referral services—Linda/Cinda
- Generate recommendations
 - O Which are the elements that meet our goals?
 - O What do we agree about in terms of structuring?

3:45 Wrap Up and Evaluation